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JOSE CRUZ ALDAN aka Joe

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
OF THE
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Plaintiffs
v.
JOSE CRUZ ALDAN aka Joe
Defendant.

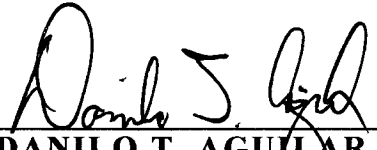
CRIMINAL CASE NO. 05-0009

**MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS
COUNSEL**

COMES NOW Danilo T. Aguilar, counsel of record for Defendant Jose Cruz Aldan aka Joe, and hereby requests for an order permitting withdrawal of counsel. This motion is submitted pursuant to Rule 1.16(a)(1) and 1.7 (a)(1) of the Model Rules of Professional Responsibility.

This motion is supported by the attached declaration of counsel.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of December, 2005.


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